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Sugar and Coffee Tariff.

THE Los Angeles Times hits the nail on the head in the following editorial:

When the duty on coffee of 3 cents per pound was taken off and coffee placed on the Free List, Brazil immediately levied an export duty on coffee, and the only effect of this Tariff reduction was to reduce Uncle Sam's yearly revenue about \$12,000,000, while the people paid the same price for coffee and still pay it.

We imported from Brazil in 1911, 651,148,172 pounds of coffee for which, owing to government manipulation at Rio Janeiro, we paid 15½ cents per pound as against 11 cents in 1910 and 6½ in 1908. The activities of the Brazilian government in adjusting exportation of coffee to the demand and to production are such that it is not probable that placing a duty on coffee would affect prices here or would be of much service in stimulating production in Hawaii and Porto Rico, where coffee can be grown to advantage. A bounty on coffee for a period of a few years might induce such additional planting in our insular possessions as would in time render us independent of foreign production of coffee. It is the opinion of expert coffee growers that the climate of the Imperial Valley is such that coffee might be grown there.

The removal of the duties on sugar here would probably result in Germany and Russia withdrawing the bounties they now pay on beet sugar exported from those countries. Our farmers would then discontinue growing sugar beets. The United States would lose its present revenues from duties on sugar. The people would not get sugar any cheaper. The Louisiana sugar planters would lose, and the only beneficiaries of free sugar would be Germany, Russia and the American Sugar Refineries Company.

The more the intricacies of a readjustment of the Tariff are studied the more apparent it becomes that such adjustment ought to be made on a scientific and not a haphazard basis.

Horse Racing.

IT seems as if a revival of horse racing in Hawaii is in full swing. That is good, as long as all crooked work is kept out. It was crook racing that killed the "sport of Kings" in Honolulu years ago. Horse racing, when conducted properly is the best sport in the world. What red-blooded man can resist the call of the fluttering silk and the thundering hoofs, as the "field" straightens out for the home stretch? Then the rush for the wire, and a whirlwind finish. That is the sport that sets the blood coursing through the veins of the spectators.

But the sport must be controlled with an iron hand. Stewards and other officials who fear nothing, should be in charge. The Jockey Club should give these officials unlimited power, and once a "crook" is caught, he and his horses should be "warned off" for life.

There is no reason in the world why horse racing should not flourish here. We have the moneyed men who can, if they wish, race for the sport of the game. We have smaller men who can keep a few good horses, and race for what there is in the game. The totalisator should be introduced and, in that way, the bookmaker can never get in and spoil everything by his crooked dealings.

Reappoint Thurston.

IF there is one man in office at the present moment, who should be retained, irrespective of his political faith, it is Fire Chief Thurston. The chief has been a success from the minute he joined the service up till the present time. That he will, if given the opportunity, continue on his clean hardworking way, is certain.

Chief Thurston knows his work and he has always had the confidence of the public. That much cannot be said for some of the men who seek the job.

Thurston has helped his men in every way. He erected cottages—when nobody else would—in the vicinity of the fire station. He contented himself with less rent than any other owner would. The men are glad to be near their station and yet men of the "Soap Box" variety have the gall to twist things around and try and make people think that the fire chief forces his men to rent the cottages. Leave Thurston where he is and be safe from fire.

Honolulu and all Hawaii will soon be further linked up with the outside world. The plans of the United Wireless Company to construct a new wireless station, have advanced so far that bids are being called for the erection of the plant. With the cable and federal wireless service already in the field, the new wireless concern will still further link up Hawaii with the United States and the Orient.

The day of romance has not yet passed and hunts for hidden treasure are still carried on. At least one treasure trove has been unearthed on Maui, and the story of the discovery at Makawao will be read with interest. The Makawao correspondent of the MAUI NEWS had a story sometime ago on the subject. The sequel is deeply interesting.

Locals

"The Revolving Wedge" party visited Haleakala crater on New Year's Day.

George Cooper, of Hana, reports that all the citizens of that part of the world had a glorious holiday.

The prison gang got busy on Thursday morning, and soon cleaned up the streets. In places the remains of fire crackers were an inch deep.

A fine fish pond is being constructed in the garden of Dr. Oyama on Main street. The basin is of concrete and there will be a miniature waterfall in it.

The Woman's Guild of the Church of the Good Shepherd will hold a social meeting with Mrs. G. A. Hansen, Wailuku, on Wednesday, January 8th, at 2:30 p. m.

C. D. Lufkin, of the First National Bank of Wailuku, is returning from an extended trip to the mainland. He is expected to arrive on the S. S. Wilhelmina on January 22.

On Dit

CHAS WILCON—That new fire bell is surely some bell. It can be heard for miles around.

"JACK" BERGSTROM—Maui is a fine place and I always enjoy my visit.

J. N. S. WILLIAMS—The death of R. R. Elgin was a shock to everybody. I was speaking to him just before Christmas and he seemed to be in excellent health.

JOHN SMITH—A motorcycle officer should be appointed at once. There are so many automobiles now-a-days that proper tabs should be kept on them.

J. B. STEWART (per letter)—It is cold back home, and Philadelphia seems a trifle large after Wailuku. Still, Maui is a good old place. Aloha to everyone.

ENOS VINCENT—I have always favored the appointment of a motorcycle officer.

W. STEWARD—Yes, I'm back on Maui once more and I hope to remain permanently this time.

Auto Notes.

A Cadillac car, 1913 model, was completely victorious recently in a unique contest at Riverside, Cal., a coasting event in which 32 cars, representing 21 different makes, were entered and which was watched by 7,000 people. The cars were sent down a grade with power shut off, gravity supplying the energy. Besides providing Riverside and attractive holiday and considerable excitement, the contest had its value from the standpoint of motor car demonstration and comparison because, all other things being equal, lack of friction is the factor that enables a car to win such a contest, or, in other words, to "roll" the farthest.

The victorious Cadillac captured two prizes, winning the Grand Prize, or A. N. Sweet cup, for coasting the greatest distance, irrespective of class, and also the "Bull Moose" cup, or first prize in its class. Thus it was victorious over all cars regardless of weight, some cars being heavier and some lighter, the weights ranging from 1700 to 4100 pounds.

"The third annual convention of the Cadillac motor car dealers, which closed Friday, December 13th, was the most successful we have ever held," said Sales Manager E. C. Howard at the close of the session. "A large proportion of our dealers were here and expressed themselves as more than satisfied with the benefits derived. Many interesting and instructive addresses were delivered bearing upon various phases of the retail motor car business. The value of service to the motor car user was the subject of emphasis all along the line because with the approach of perfection in manufacture the motorist is more and more appreciative of close personal attention

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tendered him after he has purchased his car. When he buys an automobile that dominates its class he takes for granted a high standard of quality and efficiency. The Cadillac dealers in their gathering laid stress on the point that in addition to what he expects he must be given just as high a grade of active, co-operative service while the car is in use.

There were over 200 dealers at the Cadillac convention. It has been figured out that the average distance traveled by these dealers was 500 miles apiece, or a total of 100,000 miles. This is equal to four times around the globe.

"With regard to our business in motor cars,—that is the carriages in distinction from trucks,—our sales for this time of year are today the greatest in our history, at this season. We have upwards of 500 unfilled orders to customers on the books of the company. That does not mean to dealers, but sold directly to users."

"The general business of the country, according to all information that comes to me, was never better: never apparently in a more sound condition, nor ever before of a greater volume."

"This condition prevailing today, with a certainty of coming democratic administration, is, I state, peculiar and absolutely not in accord with similar records in the past." "We are writing new history."

Hawaiian Island—Oahu Island—South side—Honolulu Harbor... Channel Light No. 5—a fixed white lens-lantern light supported on a pile, has been carried away. Until such time as it is replaced a 2d. class can buoy will be substituted in its stead from which a white hand lantern will be exhibited nightly. C. & G. S. Charts 4116, 4109 4100. List of Buys, etc., 19th District, 1911, p. 12. Light List, Pacific Coast, p. 95, No. 575. By Order of the Commissioner of Light-house:

A. E. ARLEDGE, Inspector, 19th Lighthouse District.

New Officers Installed

On December 27 the Masonic Lodge Maui, No. 984, installed its officers for the year 1913. The full lodge attended and the following officers were installed: Senior Warden, E. R. Bevis; Junior Warden, Ben Williams; Treasurer, D. C. Lindsay; Secretary, C. E. Copeland; Senior Deacon, C. C. Campbell; Junior Deacon, H. K. Duncan; Tyler, W. F. J. Dale.

Fine Rains Have Fallen

Good rains have fallen right along the coast of Maui. Hana reports a fine fall, and the other stations from that place into Wailuku, also report rain.

Wailuku had a good soaking during the week, and the rain has been pretty general.

The roads generally are in good shape—that is where they are macadamized. Some of the "dirt" roads up country have not been improved by the rains.

HARNESSING THE MISSISSIPPI.

To make land for a great union station, St. Paul is to change the course of the Mississippi. As if that were not enough, the people are going to make the Father of Waters get down to hard work. A great dam is to be built, and the power generated is to be employed to light Minneapolis and a thousand and one industries in and about the twin cities, even to maintaining an even temperature in the mushroom caves in the cliffs of St. Paul.

Hawaiian Island—Maui Island—North-east shore—Pauwela Point Light, reported extinguished, will be relighted as soon as practicable. C. & G. S. Charts 4116, 4100. Light List, Pacific Coast 1912, p. 90, No. 561 a. Buoy List, etc., 19th District, 1911, p. 9.

ALOHA LODGE NO. 3 KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.



Regular meetings will be held at the Knights of Pythias Hall, Wailuku, on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

All visiting members are cordially invited to attend.

C. HANSEN, C. C.
ARTHUR BETTS, K. R. & S.

LODGE MAUI, No. 984, A. F. & A. M.



Stated meetings will be held at Masonic Hall, Kahului, on the first Saturday night of each month at 7.30 P. M.

Visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

W. W. WESCOATT, R. W. M.

C. E. COPELAND,

Secretary

Maui Hotel, Wailuku,
Jan. 1st, 1913.

I will be at

PAIA -- Jan. 6th -- Jan. 18th
WAILUKU -- Jan. 24th -- Jan. 25th
JUNEAU -- Jan. 27th -- Feb. 1st

Those suffering from their teeth would do well to make an early appointment.

DR. RUSSELL, DENTIST.

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